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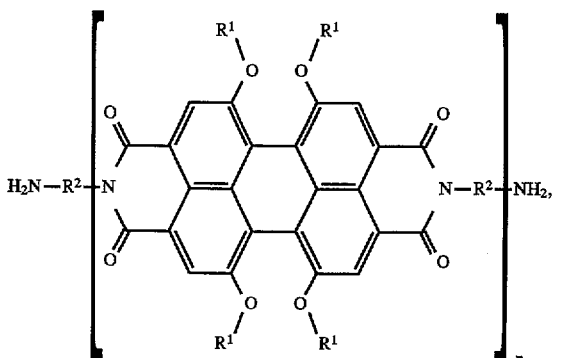
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[57] **ABSTRACT**

Polymeric tetraaroxyperylene-3,4,9,10-tetracarboxylic diimides of the formula I



(R<sup>1</sup>: denotes identical or different aryl radicals which may be substituted by cyano, nitro, halogen, C<sub>1</sub>–C<sub>18</sub>-alkoxy, C<sub>5</sub>–C<sub>7</sub>-cycloalkyl and/or C<sub>1</sub>–C<sub>18</sub>-alkyl and may each contain up to 24 carbon atoms;

R<sup>2</sup>: denotes C<sub>2</sub>–C<sub>30</sub>-alkylene groups whose carbon chain may be interrupted by from 1 to 10 oxygen atoms in ether function or by a phenylene or cyclohexylene group, or optionally C<sub>1</sub>–C<sub>10</sub>-alkylene- or oxygen-bridged C<sub>6</sub>–C<sub>30</sub>-arylene or cyclohexylene radicals;

n: is from 2 to 100),

preparation thereof and use thereof and also tetraaroxyperylene-3,4,9,10-tetracarboxylic dianhydrides as intermediates therefor.

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